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JAPANESE BEETLE OPEN HOUSE APRIL 12, GRANDVIEW WA

TUESDAY APRIL 12, 2022 | 5 – 7 P.M.

GRANDVIEW LIBRARY, 500 W. MAIN ST. GRANDVIEW, WA 98930

Mark your calendars for the Japanese Beetle Open House on April 12. If you own property in or near Grandview you’ll want to learn how to get your property treated free of charge.

Washington State Department of Agriculture is formulating a plan to eradicate Japanese beetle in the Grandview area. Part of this plan involves treating the infested areas, including private property. WSDA English and Spanish-speaking representatives will be at the Grandview Library from 5 to 7 p.m. Stop in to learn about the eradication, and ask any questions you might have.

Make sure you don’t miss this opportunity to give consent to have your property treated free of charge!

You can also view and share the open house details by clicking this link. Learn more now at agr.wa.gov/beetles.

KNOCK, KNOCK, WHO’S THERE? WSDA!

Property owners around the Grandview area should be on the lookout for incoming mail, or a knock on the door from the Washington State Department of Agriculture. WSDA is seeking permission to treat properties in and around the infestation area. Letters are printing now and should hit mail boxes late this month. But, because of the urgent and time-sensitive nature of this issue, our team is also going to begin going door-to-door to ask residents for their permission to treat. Acelepryn and Acelepryn G, the products named in the proposed treatment plan, is a low-risk insecticide that is not hazardous to humans or domestic animals. Funding is pending legislative budget approval.
Residentes en el área de Grandview deben estar pendientes de una carta en el correo, o una tocada en sus puertas del Departamento de Agricultura del Estado de Washington (WSDA). WSDA está buscando permiso para tratar propiedades en y alrededor de la zona infestada, con pesticidas. Las cartas se están imprimiendo y deben llegar a buzones al final de mes. Pero, debido a la urgencia de este asunto, nuestro equipo comenzará a visitar residencias y tocar puertas para pedir permiso para tratar su propiedad. Acelepryn y Acelepryn G, los productos nombrados en nuestro plan de tratamiento, son insecticidas de bajo riesgo y no presenten peligro a los humanos ni a los animales domésticos. Fundos están pendiente a la aprobación de la legislatura.

LA RADIO 91.9 FM 23 DE MARZO

Radioyentes, sintonice a 91.9FM Radio Cadena el 23 de marzo a las 4:00pm! El Departamento de Agricultura del estado de Washington (WSDA) está formulando un plan para erradicar el escarabajo japonés en el área de Grandview. Parte de este plan incluye tratamiento de áreas infestadas, incluyendo propiedad privada. Si usted tiene propiedad en o alrededor de Grandview usted querrá escuchar este aviso. WSDA compartirá información sobre la erradicación, la cuarentena propuesta, y como los residentes pueden dar su permiso para tratar su propiedad. Aprenda más en agr.wa.gov/beetles.

If you are an English-speaker and would like to hear this information, click this link to watch a video.
WSDA has made a searchable map of the area under consideration for the proposed treatment. Please note this is NOT a final map and is being made available for informational purposes only. You can type in your address and learn if it is within or outside the proposed Japanese beetle treatment area. Click here to go to the map.

**WSDA IS HIRING!**

The Pest Program is looking for several Insect Pest Trappers to capture Japanese beetles in the Yakima/Grandview area. These positions are open now and will close on March 20. Click here to read more and apply.

The Pest Program is looking for a Japanese Beetle Eradication Supervisor to work in Yakima County and surrounding areas. This position is open now and will close on March 20. Click here to read more and apply.

### NEW DETECTIONS

WSDA has confirmed no new reports of Japanese beetles following the 2021 trapping season. Adult beetles die in the fall, however beneath the soil surface are beetle larvae, or grubs.

**HOW CAN YOU REPORT IT?**
If you have seen Japanese beetle, please report it! Take a picture and note the location. You can report sightings using our online reporting map and form. Or you can email us at PestProgram@agr.wa.gov, or call 1-800-443-6684.

Larvae will begin to be seen during the spring below the soil surface, especially in lawns. They are a white c-shaped grub with a brown/tan head with visible legs, typically about 1/8 to 1 inch long.

**STAY CONNECTED**

WSDA is dedicated to working with the public to provide information on Japanese beetle. WSDA has taken pictures of the pest around the Grandview area, to view images please visit flicker.com/wsdagov. View the Pest Alert for Japanese beetle.

- Join the Japanese beetle Facebook group.
- Join the Pest Program email listserv.
- Follow WSDA on Facebook, Instagram, YouTube, and Twitter.